
SENATE BILL 6497

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By Senators Delvin and Hewitt

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1 AN ACT Relating to financing regional centers in counties with a
2 population of less than two hundred thousand persons that are acquired,
3 constructed, financed, or owned by an existing city public facilities
4 district with a population of at least forty-five thousand persons;
5 adding a new section to chapter 82.14 RCW; and providing an effective
6 date.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 82.14 RCW
9 to read as follows:

10 (1) In a county with a population under two hundred thousand, the
11 governing body of a city public facilities district, which was created
12 before July 31, 2002, under chapter 35.57 RCW in which the total
13 population in the public facilities district as of the effective date
14 of this act is greater than forty-five thousand that commences
15 construction of a regional center before July 1, 2009, may impose a
16 sales and use tax in accordance with the terms of this chapter. The
17 tax is in addition to other taxes authorized by law and shall be
18 collected from those persons who are taxable by the state under
19 chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW upon the occurrence of any taxable event

1 within the public facilities district. The rate of tax for a public
2 facilities district created before July 31, 2002, under chapter 35.57
3 RCW, may not exceed 0.025 percent of the selling price in the case of
4 a sales tax or value of the article used in the case of a use tax.

5 (2) The tax imposed under subsection (1) of this section shall be
6 deducted from the amount of tax otherwise required to be collected or
7 paid over to the department under chapter 82.08 or 82.12 RCW. The
8 department shall perform the collection of such taxes on behalf of the
9 county at no cost to the public facilities district.

10 (3) The tax imposed in this section shall expire when the bonds
11 issued for the construction of the regional center and related parking
12 facilities are retired, but not more than twenty-five years after the
13 tax is first collected.

14 (4) Moneys collected under this section shall only be used for the
15 purposes set forth in RCW 35.57.020 and must be matched with an amount
16 from other public or private sources equal to thirty-three percent of
17 the amount collected under this section, provided that amounts
18 generated from nonvoter-approved taxes authorized under chapter 35.57
19 RCW may not constitute a public or private source. For the purpose of
20 this section, public or private sources include, but are not limited
21 to, cash or in-kind contributions used in all phases of the development
22 or improvement of the regional center, land that is donated and used
23 for the siting of the regional center, cash or in-kind contributions
24 from public or private foundations, or amounts attributed to private
25 sector partners as part of a public and private partnership agreement
26 negotiated by the public facilities district.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect July 1, 2008.

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